Question 6: Pesticide Safety Worksheets

Reference:

Applying Pesticides Correctly - A Guide for Private and Commercial Applicators Unit 6: Harmful Effects and Emergency Response, Pages 10 & 11

First Aid for Pesticide Poisoning

First aid is the initial effort to help a victim while medical help is on the way. The best first aid in pesticide emergencies is to stop the source of pesticide exposure as quickly as possible. If a rescuer is alone with the victim, make sure the victim is breathing and no further pesticide exposed will occur before calling for emergency help. Refer to the pesticide label for first aid instructions and make the label available to emergency medical personnel.

Pesticide On Skin

Drench skin and clothing with plenty of water. Any source of relatively clean water will serve. Remove personal protective equipment and contaminated clothing. Thoroughly wash skin and hair with a mild liquid detergent and water. If one is available, a shower is the best way to thoroughly wash and rinse the entire body surface.

Pesticide In Eves

Wash eye quickly but gently. Hold eyelid open and wash with a gentle stream of clean running water, directed so that it flows across the open eye rather than directly into the eye. Rinse eye for 15 minutes or more.

Inhaled Pesticide

Get victim to fresh air immediately. Loosen tight clothing on victim that might constrict breathing. Administer CPR if breathing has stopped or if the victim's skin is blue. If pesticide or vomit is on the victim's mouth or face, avoid direct contact during CPR.

Pesticide In Mouth or Swallowed

Rinse mouth with plenty of water. Give victim up to 1 quart of milk or water to drink. Induce vomiting only if recommended in the first aid instructions on the pesticide label.